

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT

Department for Women, Children, Disabled & Senior Citizens - Sanction of posts of Nutrition Counsellors for 3 high burden districts and Link Workers in 8 districts - Orders - Issued.

DEPARTMENT FOR WOMEN, CHILDREN, DISABLED & SENIOR CITIZEN

G.O.Ms.No.25,

Dt.21/10/2013
Read the following:-

- 1. From GOI Lr.No.1-8/2012-CD-I, dt.22.10.2012.
- 2. From the Commrr, WD & CW, Hyd Lr.No.2045/k3/13, dt.13.05.2013.
- 3. From the Commrr, WD & CW, Hyd Lr.No.2045/k3/13, dt.06.06.2013.
- 4. From GOI, Lr.No.4-1(37)/2013-CD-II, dt.23.09.2013.

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ORDER:

In the ref. 1st read above, the GOI, has issued guidelines for implementing "Strengthened and Restructured ICDS Scheme" in a mission mode through a series of programmatic, management and institutional reforms. As part of the restructuring, the GOI has sought to address the menace of malnutrition with focus on under-3s and improved family contact, care and nutrition counseling for Pregnant and Lactating Mothers and for mothers of under-3s by providing Nutrition Counsellor-cum-Additional Anganwadi Worker for the 3 high burden districts of Srikakulam, Karimnagar and Guntur and by providing Link Workers in the remaining 20 districts. In 2013-14, Link Workers will be selected for only 8 districts of Vizag, Vizianagaram, East Godavari, Adilabad, Khammam, Nizamabad, Ranga Reddy & Ananthapur and for the remaining 12 districts selection will be taken up in 2014-15 as part of phasing in implementation of restructured ICDS.

- 2. In the ref.2nd read above, the Commissioner, Women Development & Child Welfare Department, Hyderabad has proposed for filling up 3,657 posts Nutrition Counsellors for the 3 high burden districts and 12,024 Link Workers in the 8 districts of Vizag, Vizianagaram, East Godavari, Guntur, Adilabad, Karimnagar, Khammam, Nizamabad, Ranga Reddy & Ananthapur. The same was also proposed as part of Annual Programme Implementation Plan (APIP) sent to Government of India. The GOI vide the ref.4th read above, has approved the provision of 3657 Nutrition Counsellors with honorarium of Rs.3,000/- pm and 12,024 Link Workers with honorarium of Rs.750/- pm with fund sharing pattern as 75:25 between GOI and the State Government.
- 3. The Government after examining the Commissioner's proposal and the approval given by GOI hereby sanctions 3,657 posts of Nutrition Counsellors-cum-Additional Anganwadi Workers and 12,024 posts of Link Workers with honorarium and fund sharing pattern as approved by Government of India for "Strengthened and Restructured ICDS".
- 4. The post of Nutrition Counsellors-cum-Additional Anganwadi Workers will be filled up as per existing guidelines for selection of Anganwadi Workers and the post of Link Workers will be filled up as per existing guidelines for selection of Anganwadi Helpers. However preference will be given to those candidates who have previous experience either in the non-Government organization or Government organization in child care & nutrition counseling etc.

- 5. The Nutrition Counsellors & Link Workers will be selected only for those AWCs which are functioning under Indiramma Amrutha Hastham. They will help the AWWs in these centres to focus on Pregnant Women & Lactating Mothers and Children under 3 years.
- 6. The Commissioner, Women Development & Child Welfare Department, Hyderabad shall issue the guidelines with details of the roles and responsibilities of the Nutrition Counsellors and Link Workers and take other necessary action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

NILAM SAWHNEY, PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.

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The Commissioner, Women Development & Child Welfare Department, Hyderabad. All RJDs/PDs in the State.

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